

## **ABSTRACT**

A method for treating fluid spills on a surface such as a roadway, shop, garage, or worksite includes placing a biodegradable absorbent material, such as coconut coir, onto the spill. Once the absorbent has absorbed the fluid spill, the absorbent along with the fluid may be safely disposed in a landfill, swept or otherwise cleaned off the surface, or simply left at the spill location.